

Introducing the proposed

"Fort Thompson" PLAYGROUND

A new playground for Rose Garden Park...



WHY A NEW PLAYGROUND?

The old playground equipment was 60 years old, and failed to meet today's public playground safety standards. The City removed it in early 2010 and a volunteer committee was formed to raise funds for a new playground.

After months of searching and talking to kids about what they wanted, the playground committee selected the Tree House – an innovative forest adventure that inspires creative play and full body exercise. This playground is made of top quality, super durable materials, has activities kids with disabilities can play with, and complies with all Public Playground Safety standards. Best of all it is loaded with features kids love, including:

- **Sidewinder Slide**
- **Tree Stump Climber**
- **Wiggle Ladder**
- **Slide Pole**
- **Talk Tubes**
- **Stepping Stumps**
- **Built-in Wildlife**
- **Tree Ring Age Tracer**
- **Tree Fort Roof**

CLIMB ABOARD FOR FUN!



Nature-inspired play with activities for a wide range of ages and abilities!

Where will funding come from?

The playground committee is seeking funds from many sources:

- Private Fund Raising Programs
- Service Clubs & Civic Organizations
- Corporate Giving & Sponsorships
- Public Grants & Allocations
- Community Volunteerism & Donations

Will you help?

Contributions of at least \$25 per person OR \$100 per club/business/family will be recognized on a **Playground Dedication Plaque.**

Print Name as you wish it to appear on Plaque:

Address: _____

City/State: _____

Phone: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Please clip & send donation to:

Fort Thompson Playground Fund
P.O. Box 2254
Thompson Falls, MT 59873

Donations are tax deductible!

Your contribution will be deposited into a dedicated playground fund with the City of Thompson Falls.

WHAT IS THE FORT THOMPSON PROJECT?

It is a conceptual name for a collection of ideas gathered from throughout the community to help make the Rose Garden Park area more family friendly, safe, and beneficial to the community.

It includes a naturalized architectural style to accent park features and highlight our community's historic connection to the epic explorer, David Thompson.

Hand hewn timbers, natural stone, and forged steel would be used in benches, signs, fences, and structures to simulate the construction methods of the trading posts and forts Thompson helped erect across upper North America from 1784 to 1812. His amazing story of wilderness exploration, adventure, and first contact with native peoples would be woven throughout the park. The significance of this project would help our community compete for a variety of funds to pay for park improvements.



We do not propose to increase City property taxes to fund this project.

Ideas presently suggested in the **LONG TERM BEAUTIFICATION PLAN**

For Rose Garden Park:

- Preserve Existing Roses, Maples, & Elm Trees
- New Playground
- Small Stage & Seating Area
- Benches & Picnic Tables
- Updated Irrigation System
- A Revived Rose Garden Area
- Improved Visibility at Crosswalk & Corner
- Palisade Fence Between Park & RR Tracks
- Improved Public Parking & Events Areas
- Business Directory, Area Map, & Town Bulletin
- Trading Post Visitor Center w/Restrooms
- Voyageur Canoe Waterfall Feature
- Salish House Museum/David Thompson History



The proposed features of the Fort Thompson vision would share a common historical theme, but could be implemented in stages over time depending on public support and fund raising efforts.

Volunteers are raising funds for the playground area as first priority.

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Would you like
Rose Garden Park
to be more family friendly?

Let's begin with the **Fort Thompson PLAYGROUND**



A Beautification Committee Project For the City of Thompson Falls, MT

*The Fort Thompson Project
is endorsed by:*

*Thompson Falls Chamber of Commerce
Sanders County Historical Society
Thompson Falls Brigade - David Thompson Days
Sanders County Community Development Corp.
Clark Fork Valley Elks Lodge
Thompson Falls Community Development Assoc.
Thompson Falls Beautification Committee
City of Thompson Falls
Ron's Service
And many local businesses and individuals...*